

FAIRFAX HARRISON

In the death of Mr. Fairfax Harrison, the editors of the Quarterly have been deprived of a personal friend and students of Virginia history have lost an ardent champion. When the Second Series of the Quarterly was begun, Mr. Harrison was one of the first to send his encouragement and good wishes. For a busy man of affairs to manifest such an interest and to continue it for seventeen years in a sympathetic, but never perfunctory, manner was evidence of his deep devotion to the advancement of historical pursuits. At times he prepared contributions for the Quarterly, a good example of which was his "Northern Neck Maps, 1735-1747" which appeared in the January number of the Quarterly for 1924. Frequently, when he heard of a rare manuscript which could not be purchased, he would send a photostatic copy of it to the College Library. It is well known that Mr. Harrison originated the Virginia Historical Index. It was his conviction that an exhaustive analysis of a group of carefully selected volumes filled with source information concerning the history of Virginia would be of permanent value in stimulating the study of Virginia life. He selected the one hundred and twenty volumes to be indexed. At times, in the midst of the financial depression, when the difficulties in editing the Index made it seem impossible to complete the work without too great an expenditure, he stood by it courageously and always with cheerful words of encouragement. It was his hope, also, that by the publication of this Virginia index, other states might be led to prepare similar analyses of their valuable historical publications. The following list of his works shows the extent of the literary by-products of a life that was devoted in the main to professional and business pursuits.

One characteristic with which all of his friends were familiar and which they regretted, was his extreme reluctance to publish his books in editions large enough to meet the demands of students and libraries. Most of the volumes in the following list are not so widely known as they should be because they were never allowed to be placed on sale. Such a work as his *Landmarks of Old Prince William* marked a new era in the treatment of local history, not only in Virginia, but throughout the United States. He dignified local history by his scholarly and comprehensive view of it. He made it much more than a chronicle of the unvarying events in the life of a village or of a group of planters; it became, under his hands, a social and economic study of the first importance. So, also, in his genealogical works. Not con-

tent with the presentation of pedigrees, he included biographies and observations on the daily business and domestic life of the different representatives of the family he discussed. Such genealogies are as important to the student as Bruce's *Economic History of Virginia in the Seventeenth Century*. There is nothing quite like his books on horses; in the preparation of these several volumes he exhausted all the manuscript and printed resources on the subject. Perhaps no single topic in American life has been so zealously and completely depicted. Here is a subject that entered into the daily life of men as no other in America for three hundred years, left in as final a form as possible. Mr. Harrison's historical judgment was sound and impartial. The influence of his terse and picturesque style, and of his faithful and unbiassed interpretation of events will remain with all seekers of the truth in history.

Agriculture in the Piedmont counties of South Carolina: an address at the York County Farmers' picnic, Rock Hill, S. C., July 30, 1915. [Washington, 1915]

Cover-title, 5 p. 23 cm.

Aris sonis focusque; being a memoir of an American family, the Harrisons of Skimino and particularly of Jesse Burton Harrison and Burton Norvell Harrison . . . Ed. by Fairfax Harrison from material collected by Francis Burton Harrison, and privately printed for them. [New York, The De Vinne press] 1910.

4 p. l., [3]-413 p. 24½ cm.

CONTENTS.—*Aris sonis focusque*: The planter forebears (1600-1771) The Quaker forebears (1600-1767) William Harrison of Skimino (1740-1819) Samuel Jordan Harrison of Lynchburg (1771-1846) Jesse Burton Harrison of New Orleans (1805-1841) Burton Norvell Harrison of New York (1838-1904)—The capture of Jefferson Davis, by Burton N. Harrison, with notes by Jefferson Davis.—Essays by Jesse Burton Harrison: The prospects of letters and taste in Virginia, 1828. English civilization, 1832. The slavery question in Virginia, 1832.—Index.

The background of the American stud book. Richmond, Va., Priv. print., Old dominion press, 1933.

121 p., 1 l. incl. front. ports., facsim. 23½ cm. "Biographical notes on the collectors and critics of the early material": p. [62]-97. Bibliography: p. [98]-112.

The Belair stud, 1747-1761. Richmond, Va., Priv. print., Old Dominion press, 1929.

3 p. l., [9]-102 p., 1 l. front., plates. 23½ cm. Bibliography: p. [13]-15.

The catharsis of husbandry, by a Virginia farmer . . . [New York, 1912]

14 p. 24 cm. "A paper read at the Farmers' dinner at the University club of New York, January 11, 1912."

Cato's farm management: eclogues from the *De re rustica* of M. Porcius Cato, done into English, with notes of other excursions in the pleasant paths of agronomic literature, by a Virginia farmer [Fairfax Harrison] . . . Priv. print. [Chicago, Ill., Printed by R. R. Donnelley and sons company] 1910.

60 p., 1 l. 19½ cm.

The choice of Heracles; an address before the literary societies of Hampden-Sidney college. June 10, 1913. [n. p., 1913]

14 p. 23½ cm.

The Devon Carys . . . New York, Priv. print., The De Vinne press, 1920.

2 v. Paged continuously. Fronts., plates, ports., maps, ix geneal. tab. (part fold.) 23 cm.

Early American turf stock, 1730-1830; being a critical study of the extant evidence for the English, Spanish and oriental horses and mares to which are traced the oldest American turf pedigrees . . . Richmond, Va., Priv. print., The Old Dominion press, 1934-1935.

2 v. 23½ cm. "The sources": v. 1, p. [11]-19.

The equine F. F. Vs., a study of the evidence for the English horses imported into Virginia before the revolution. Richmond, Va., Priv. print., The Old Dominion press, 1928.

2 p. l., [7]-184 p., 1 l. col. front., plates (1 fold.) ports. 24 cm. Bibliography: p. [11]-24.

A Frenchman in Virginia; being the memoirs of a Huguenot refugee [Durand, ... of *Dauphiné fl.* 1685-1687.] in 1686, translated by a Virginian [Fairfax Harrison]. [Richmond] Priv. print., 1923.

146 p. front. Map on back lining-paper. 19½ cm.

The independent woman; an address before the Alabama girls' technical institute, Montevallo, Alabama, October 17, 1914. [Washington, 1914]

cover-title, [4] p. 23 cm.

The John's island stud (South Carolina) 1750-1788. Richmond, Va., Priv. print., Old Dominion press, 1931.

236 p. front., illus., plates, fold. map. 23½ cm. Bibliography: p. [221]-228.

CONTENTS.—The Carolina Fenwicks.—The John's island stud, 1750-1788.—The Carolina racing calendar, 1759-1791.

Landmarks of old Prince William; a study of origins in northern Virginia . . . Richmond, Priv. print., The Old Dominion press, 1924.

2 v. fronts., ports., maps (part fold.) Map in pocket at end of v. 1. 23½ cm.

The "territory now made up of the counties of Prince William, Fairfax, Loudoun, Fauquier, and Arlington, and the city of Alexandria."

Bibliographical notes at end of chapters. "The manuscript source records": p. 677-709.

Looking to the future in Virginia; an address at the annual reunion of Confederate veterans at Fisher's Hill, Virginia, August 7, 1915. [Washington, 1915]

cover-title, 6 p. 23 cm.

Newspapers and railroads as factors in southern development. An address before the South Carolina State press association, Chick Springs, South Carolina, July 7, 1914. [Washington, 1914]

cover-title, 7 p. 23 cm.

Northern Neck Maps of 1737-47.

Reprinted from William and Mary College Quarterly Historical Magazine, vol. 4, 2d Series, no. 1, Jan. 1924, p. 1-15.

Virginia land grants, a study of conveyancing in relation to colonial politics. Richmond, Priv. print., The Old Dominion press, 1925.

184 p., 1 l. 23½ cm.

The Virginians on the Ohio and the Mississippi in 1742, by Fairfax Harrison. [Richmond, Va., 1922]

cover-title, p. 203-222. 25 cm.

Account of the travels of John Howard and John Peter Salley. Reprinted from the Virginia magazine of history and biography, vol. xxx, no. 2, April 1922.

The place of industry in modern life; the Founder's day address at the University of Virginia, April 13, 1915. [Washington, 1915]

cover-title, 13 p. 23 cm.

Popple of Hulle [Eng.] and the Board of trade. [Pedigree chart compiled by F. H.] [n. p., 1926]

geneal. tab. 40 x 55 cm. Photostat from type-written copy. "Authorities cited."

The proprietors of the Northern Neck, chapters of Culpeper genealogy. Richmond, Va., Priv. print., The Old Dominion press, 1926.

178 p. front., plates. ports., fold. maps, facsims., fold. geneal. tab. 23½ cm.

"The genealogical papers which make up this volume were published by the Virginia magazine of history and biography in installments throughout the year 1925."—Pref.

The Roanoke stud, 1795-1833. Richmond, Va., Priv. print., Old Dominion press, 1930.

244 p. front., plates, port., facsims. 24 cm. Bibliography: p. [221]-232. "Errata" mounted on p. [233].

Roman farm management; the treatises of Cato and Varro done into English, with notes of modern instances, by a Virginia farmer [Fairfax Harrison] New York, The Macmillan company, 1913.

xii p., 1 l., 365 p. 20 cm.

CONTENTS.—Note upon the Roman agronomists.—Note on the obligation of Virgil to Varro.—Cato's *De agricultura*.—Varro's *Rerum rusticarum libri tres*.

Sally Cary; a long hidden romance of Washington's life, by Wilson Miles Cary, with notes by another hand [Fairfax Harrison] New York, Priv. print., the De Vinne press, 1916.

xv, 104 p., 1 l. front. (port.) 23½ cm.

The school of Hellas; an address before the Virginia classical association, Richmond, Va., November 27, 1914. [n. p., 1914]

cover-title, 16 p. 22½ cm.

South American trade—an opportunity but not a special privilege. [Washington? 1914?]

cover-title, 8 p. 23 cm. "An address before the New Orleans association of commerce, New Orleans, Louisiana, December 3, 1914."

The Virginia Carys; an essay in genealogy. New York, Priv. print., The De Vinne press, 1919.

xxix, 194 p., 1 l. front., plates, ports., fold. maps., facsims., fold. geneal. tab. 23 cm.

Some of Mr. Harrison's contributions to the literature of industry and transportation are disclosed by the following titles:

Agricultural and industrial progress depends upon prosperous railroads. An address before the Chamber of commerce of Anderson, South Carolina, February 24, 1914. [Washington, 1914]

cover-title, 4 p. 23 cm.

Are we ready for industrial co-operation? An address before the State convention of the Indiana Y. M. C. A., Hammond, Ind., November 22, 1912. [Chicago? 1912]

10 p. 22½ cm.

Bituminous coal in the United States: plan for the distribution of bituminous coal in the United States to secure the minimum of rail transportation. Sixty-fifth Congress, second session . . . Washington, Govt. print. off., 1918.

67 p. incl. maps. 29½ cm. Printed for the use of the Committee on manufactures. Transmitted to Dr. H. A. Garfield, fuel administrator, by Fairfax Harrison, of the Special committee on national defense, American railway association.

Co-operation for the development of Latin-American trade. An address before the Chamber of commerce of Mobile, Alabama, March 4, 1914. [Washington, 1914]

cover-title, 5 p. 23 cm.

The future of the Southern railway in North Carolina. An address before the Chamber of commerce of Raleigh, North Carolina, September 8, 1914. [Washington, 1914]

cover-title, [4] p. 23 cm.

Government ownership of the railways as unnecessary as it is undesirable. An address before the Conference on southern problems, at the University of the South, Sewanee, Tennessee, August 1, 1911. [Washington? D. C., 1911]

1 p. l., 13 p. 23 cm.

Hearings before a sub-committee of the Committee on naval affairs, United States Senate, under Senate resolution 291. Statement of Fairfax Harrison on behalf of Southern railway company. July 27, 1914. [Washington, 1914]

cover-title, 48 p. illus. 23 cm.

A history of the legal development of the railroad system of Southern railway company. Washington, D. C., 1901.

xi, 1519 p. fold. map. 24 cm.

Southern railway company . . . The honor roll of those who have been in the service twenty-five years or more to March, 1916 and the address on the occasion of the award of the service medal by Fairfax Harrison, president. [Washington? D. C., 1916]

cover-title, 40 p. illus. 22½ cm.

The ideal storehouse system. An address before the eleventh annual convention of the Railway Storekeepers' Association, Washington, D. C., May 18, 1914. n. p., 1914. 2 p. 8°.

Title from cover.

In the matter of the proposed increase of freight rates. Statement by Fairfax Harrison, president, Southern railway system. Before the Interstate commerce commission, May 8, 1917. [Washington, 1917]

cover-title, 12 p. 22½ cm.

Is big business an industrial evil; an address before the American association of freight traffic officers, Cincinnati, November 17, 1911. [Washington? 1911]

7 p. 23 cm.

The local freight agent. An address before the American association of freight agents, Cincinnati, Ohio, June 20, 1916. [Washington, 1916]

cover-title, [4] p. 23 cm.

The opportunity of a southern port; an address before the Board of trade, Brunswick, Ga., November 18, 1915. [Washington, 1915]

cover-title, 5 p. 23 cm.

The prejudice against the railways; an address before the Chamber of commerce, Lynchburg, Virginia, April 30, 1914. [Washington? 1914]

cover-title, 7 p. 23 cm.

Preparation for efficiency, an address before the Terminal railroad department, Young men's Christian association, Washington, D. C., February 8, 1915. [Washington, 1915]

cover-title, 6 p. 23 cm.

Railroad co-operation in southern agricultural development; an address before the Chamber of commerce, Selma, Alabama, March 3, 1914. [Washington, 1914]

cover-title, 5 p. 22½ cm.

The relation of American railroads to development of foreign trade. An address before the third National foreign trade convention at New Orleans, Louisiana, January 28, 1916. [Washington, 1916]

cover-title, 9 p. 23 cm.

. . . Relation of the railroad and its securities to land values. [Washington? 1915]

cover-title, 8 p. 23 cm. At head of title: Betterment of life insurance service. "An address delivered at the ninth annual meeting of the Association of life insurance presidents at New York, December 9, 1915."

The relation of Southern railway company to southern progress; plans for the future. An address before the manufacturers and merchants of Atlanta, Georgia, June 10, 1914. [Washington, 1914]

cover-title, 8 p. 23 cm.

Selecting the roads to be improved. An address before the American road congress, Atlanta, Georgia, Nov. 11, 1914.

[4] p. 23 cm.

Some grounds for encouragement in the railway situation; an address before the Transportation club of Indianapolis, March 31, 1911. [Washington? D. C., 1911]

1 p. l., 9 p. 22½ cm.

South American trade—An opportunity but not a special privilege. An address before the New Orleans association of commerce, New Orleans, Louisiana, Dec. 13, 1914.

8 p. 23 cm.

The South and the Southern railway; the statement of a record and of an ambition. An address before the Virginia bankers association, Old Point Comfort, Va., June 23, 1916. [Washington, 1916]

cover-title, 16 p. 23 cm.

The Southern railway belongs to the people of the South. An address before the Chamber of commerce of Chattanooga, Tennessee, January 20, 1914. [Washington, 1914]

cover-title, 7 p. 22½ cm.

The Southern railway as a factor in the progress of Georgia. An address before the Chamber of commerce, Macon, Georgia, April 22, 1914. [Washington, 1914]

cover-title, 5 p. 23 cm.

Southern railway company and its employees as affected by the European war, an address at a Labor day celebration in Spencer, N. C., September 7, 1914. [Washington? D. C., 1914]

cover-title, 6 p. 23 cm.

A statesman's opportunity, an address before the Railway business association, New York, N. Y., December 10, 1914. [New York? 1914]

cover-title, 10 p. 23 cm.

The surgeon and the railroad. An address before the nineteenth annual meeting of the Association of surgeons of the Southern railway company, Washington, D. C., June 19, 1914. [Washington, 1914]

cover-title, 3 p. 23 cm.

Transportation efficiency. An address before the Washington traffic club, of Washington, D. C., February 7, 1914. [Washington, 1914]

cover-title, [3] p. 23 cm.

Transportation of coal. Hearings before a subcommittee of the Committee on naval affairs, United States Senate, Sixty-third Congress, third session, pursuant to S. res. 291, a resolution authorizing the Committee on naval affairs to investigate the natural and strategic advantages of Charleston, S. C., as compared with Norfolk, and other Chesapeake Bay ports, as a permanent point for coal distribution, etc. [July 20, 1914-Jan. 8, 1915] Washington, Govt. print. off., 1915.

901 p. 23 cm.

Nathan P. Bryan, chairman. Statements of B. R. Tillman, Benjamin L. Dulaney, Fairfax Harrison (pres. of the Southern railway) Frank C. Wright, Alfred P. Thom.

What a railroad terminal means to a community. An address at a dinner of the Board of commerce of Knoxville, Tennessee, January 17, 1914. [Washington, 1914]

cover-title, 5 p. 23 cm.

Why do the railways of the South ask that their freight rates shall be increased at this time? . . . Statement before the Interstate commerce commission, March 27, 1917, by Fairfax Harrison . . . [Washington, 1917]

cover-title, 9 p. 22½ cm.